

ON YOUR OWN TIME: THE NATIONAL ARTS PROGRAM AT CARLSBAD

June 22 – July 22, 2007

“On Your Own Time: The National Arts Program at Carlsbad,” an exhibition of artworks produced by City of Carlsbad employees and their families, will be on display from June 22 through July 22, 2007 at the William D. Cannon Art Gallery, in the Carlsbad City Library Complex, 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad. The exhibition opens with a free reception and awards ceremony on Thursday, June 21, from 5 to 7pm. The public is invited.

The third version of this exhibition, presented in 2005, included more than 160 artworks by 120 employees and family members, ranging from photography and watercolor to metal sculpture and fiber crafts. This year, cash prizes in 16 classifications will be awarded to participants for original, creative works in the field of fine arts and crafts. The submissions will be judged by an awards committee made up of Arts Commissioners Heath Fox, Ron Juncal and Fran Carrillo.

The National Arts Program, sponsored by the National Arts Program Foundation, Inc., fosters creativity by providing artists of every level and age the opportunity to exhibit their works publicly. Since 1985, The National Arts Program® has provided scholarships for continuing art education, Certificates of Participation, and cash awards to public employees and their family members who participate in this annual event. The National Arts Program® currently runs 78 programs, encompassing more than 400 cities and counties, in 43 states and the District of Columbia. Questions about the program should be directed to Karen McGuire at 760/602-2021.

Operated by the Carlsbad Arts Office, the Cannon Art Gallery is a focal point for arts and culture in San Diego's North County, offering a broad range of exhibitions, school and family programs, gallery tours, lectures and publications to the community. It is located at 1775 Dove Lane off El Camino Real and is open to the public Tuesdays through Sundays. For information on all Gallery programs, contact the Carlsbad Arts Info Line (760) 434-2904 or the William D. Cannon Gallery (760) 602-2021 or the City of Carlsbad website, www.carlsbadca.gov/arts.